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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Eiichi KAMIYAMA et al.

Group Art Unit: 3747

Application No.: 10/582,158

Examiner: N. KAMEN

Filed: June 8, 2006

Docket No.: 128191

For: MOUNT APPARATUS FOR VARIABLE COMPRESSION RATIO INTERNAL
COMBUSTION ENGINE

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the October 19, 2007 Office Action, reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested in light of at least the following remarks. Claims 1 and 5-9 are pending in this application.

Claims 1 and 5-9 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over JP 57-132051 (hereinafter "JP '051") in view of JP 4-15122 (hereinafter "JP '122"). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

In a brief telephone interview with the Examiner on October 31, Applicants' representative confirmed that the rejection is non-final, because the Office Action is responsive to Applicants' Amendment filed with a Request for Continued Examination on October 10, 2007.